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STATING THE FACTS: Former Secretary of State **Henry Kissinger** has given a thumbs down to an upcoming television docudrama based on his relationship with the late President **Richard Nixon** during the Vietnam War era. "The film brazenly reverses history," Kissinger wrote in the Dec. 9 issue of TV Guide. "Kissinger and Nixon," airing Sunday on TNT, also gives the false impression that Kissinger and his boss engaged in backbiting with each other, he said. "The viewer is spared any ambiguity: Every single American policy maker is depicted in various shades of sleaze. The few heroes are Vietnamese leaders, North and South," Kissinger said. The former Nixon administration policymaker said he received a script from actor **Ron Silver,** who plays him in the movie, then gave producers documentation of factual errors. Kissinger said his contributions were ignored. "The producers, unwilling to let evidence interfere with ratings, proceeded with essentially the original script," he said. The script rewrote history by suggesting that Nixon and Kissinger double-crossed South Vietnamese President **Nguyen Van Thieu** and by altering the president's conditions for peace, Kissinger said. He also complained that he is portrayed as a "reptilian Kissinger" who cons "a boozing, anti-Semitic Richard Nixon into peace talks with Hanoi." **Lionel Chetwynd,** the movie's writer and executive producer, defended his interpretation of events. "We went to all the supporting source material. I stand by the scholarship of the film," Chetwynd told the magazine. "I don't think the factual events could be in dispute, though Henry Kissinger may interpret them somewhat differently from the historians we consulted." Kissinger and Nixon's differences over policy were public record, he said. "This was not intended to besmirch [Kissinger], but to inquire into the events that surrounded this moment in history," Chetwynd said.

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JU-WHAT-JI?: **Robin Williams** says there's been a little confusion about the name of his new movie, "Jumanji." The movie, due out Dec. 15, features Williams as a man freed after being trapped inside a magical jungle board game for 26 years. But try telling that to people. "Some guy came up to me and said, 'Jumanji? That's the movie about the baseball player, isn't it?' " Williams says in the latest Entertainment Weekly magazine. "It's amazing how many times it has been mispronounced. I even get, 'You're doing that bio of Jim Janee. I've heard of him,' " he said. "Now when people ask me what 'Jumanji' means, I tell them it's an island in the Caribbean."

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